

PATENT



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In re application of: **Sharaf**

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For: **MAGNET STRUCTURES FOR TREATING LIQUIDS AND GASES**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

The foregoing remarks are responsive to the Official Action dated May 10, 2001.

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

☒ Please cancel claim 1.

A1
2. (Amended) The magnet apparatus of claim 4, wherein the at least two first magnets and the at least three second magnets all abut the bottom wall of the housing.

☒ Please cancel claim 3.

A2
4. (Amended) A magnet apparatus comprising:
a housing with at least two side walls, and top and bottom walls connecting the side walls;